

By Senator Willacy:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint one postmistress and one private secretary.

The resolution was read and adopted.

In accordance with the above resolution the Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) made the following appointments:

Private Secretary—R. J. Waldeck.
Postmistress—Mrs. A. T. Shirley.

PRESIDENT PRO TEM.—ELECTION OF.

The Chair announced that the election of a President Pro Tem. was the next order of business, whereupon Senator Willacy placed Senator Brachfield in nomination for that place.

The nomination was seconded by Senators Hume, Terrell of Bowie, Alexander, Kellie, Watson, Peeler, Cofer, Mayfield and Masterson.

Senators Hayter, Weinert and Adams were appointed tellers.

There being no other nominations the Chair declared nominations closed.

Senator Brachfield received 25 votes, all the votes cast, and was declared duly and constitutionally elected.

Senators Willacy, Hume and Alexander escorted the President Pro Tem. elect to the chair, whereupon the constitutional oath of office was administered him by the Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson.

Senator Brachfield was then introduced to the Senate, and in a few well chosen words thanked the Senate for the honor conferred on him.

NOTIFICATION COMMITTEES.

Senator Cofer here moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was organized and ready for business. The motion was adopted, and the Chair appointed Senators Cofer, Hudspeth and Mayfield as the committee.

Senator Weinert made a like motion for a committee to notify the Governor, and the Chair appointed Senators Weinert, Meachum and Senter as the committee.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Weinert, the Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. Monday.

SECOND DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas.

Monday, March 15, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. President Pro Tem. Brachfield presiding.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Greer.	Perkins.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.
Masterson.	

Absent.

Bryan.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Veale.
Real.	Weinert.
Senter.	

On motion of Senator Hume, the Senate was at ease for an hour, which made the time 3:03 o'clock.

The Senate was again called to order by President Pro Tem. Brachfield.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Perkins, the same was dispensed with.

(Lieutenant Governor Davidson in the chair.)

NOTIFICATION COMMITTEES—REPORT OF.

Here a committee from the House appeared at the bar of the Senate, and informed the Senate that the House was organized and ready for business.

The Senate committee, appointed to inform the House that the Senate was organized and ready for business, here reported that they had performed their duty.

Here the Chair appointed Senators Meachum, Greer and Hume as a committee to notify the Governor that the Senate was organized and ready for business.

The committee proceeded at once to attend the duties, and made their report.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Willacy:

Senate bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Hudspeth:

Senate bill No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an Agricultural Experiment Station in Tom Green and El Paso counties, and making the necessary appropriation therefor."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senator Willacy:

Senate bill No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to pay per diem pay of members and per diem of officers and employes of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Alexander:

Senate bill No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a State Banking Board; to define its powers and duties; to provide for a depositors' guaranty fund under the supervision of said board, and fixing the conditions and terms by which banks and trust companies may avail their depositors of the benefit of said fund; fixing the amounts to be paid for the creation of said fund and the manner and time of payments; fixing the manner of management and administration of said fund; authorizing certain advertising privileges to such banks, and providing a penalty for the unauthorized use of such advertising privileges, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Insurance, Statistics and History.

By Senator Mayfield:

Senate bill No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an Agricultural Experiment Station to be located in the Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, composed of Bosque, Coryell, Hamilton and Bell counties, and making the necessary appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senators Mayfield and Terrell of McLennan:

Senate bill No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3231, Chapter 11, Title 62 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1895, relating to the verdict of justice in civil cases, so as to provide that in the trial of civil cases nine members of the jury concurring may render a verdict in the district court, and five jurors concurring may render a verdict in the county court and courts of justices of the peace, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Adams:

Senate bill No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an Agricultural Experiment Station in the Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, composed of the counties of Brown, Coleman, Comanche, Comanche, Erath, San Saba, Llano, McCulloch and Runtel, and making the necessary appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senator Harper:

Senate bill No. 8, A bill to be entitled "An Act to abolish the Department of Public Health and Vital Statistics, and to establish instead a State Board of Health."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Hayter:

Senate bill No. 9, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of an Agricultural Experiment Station to be located in the Thirty-first Senatorial District, composed of Denton, Montague and Wise counties, and making the necessary appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senators Stokes, Harper, Meachum and Brachfield:

Senate bill No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1264 of the Revised Statutes of 1895, and to fix the time of filing and answer in all cases where the defendant is cited by publication, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Harper:

Senate bill No. 11, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the procedure in the appellate courts of this State, and to provide for the filing of the original statement of facts as a part of the record on appeal and writ of error in all causes on appeal or writ of error, from, all courts, both civil and criminal, with an emergency clause."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Watson:

Senate bill No. 12, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the appointment of official shorthand reporters for districts by the judges thereof to report cases; providing for the time and method of making and filing typewritten transcripts of such reports; providing for the time and method of making and filing statements of facts and bills of exceptions on appeals; providing for the qualifications, duties and compensations of such official shorthand reporters; repealing Chapter 24, page 509, Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, and all other laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Watson:

Senate bill No. 13, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of an Agricultural Experiment Station in the Nineteenth Senatorial District, and making the necessary appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senator Alexander:

Senate bill No. 14, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 5, Title 51 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1895, by amending Article 2588, relating to the appointment of guardians, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Alexander:

Senate bill No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 22 of Title 39 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1895, by amending Article 2125

of said chapter relating to citations in the sale of land by executors or administrators of the estates of decedents, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Hudspeth:

Senate bill No. 16, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of stock and stock raisers, farmers and horticulturists from the danger of wolf bite, and the communication of the dangerous disease of hydrophobia, and for the destruction of wolves and other wild animals, subject to the disease of hydrophobia, and to provide a means of paying for their destruction, and to make an appropriation for paying for their destruction; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Hudspeth:

Senate bill No. 17, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 1544 and 1546 of Chapter 2, Title 32 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Kellie:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, Providing for sine die adjournment of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature; fixing the time for April 6, 1909.

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Terrell of Bowie:

Be it resolved, by the Senate, That each Senator and the Lieutenant Governor be authorized to subscribe for five daily papers to be paid for out of the contingent fund of the Senate, said papers to cost as follows: Three cents per copy for all such papers that are handled by private parties from incoming trains, and 75 cents per month for all such papers that are delivered to the Senators through the postoffice.

TERRELL of Bowie,
HUDSPETH.

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend by making it three copies.

Senator Terrell of Bowie moved to table the amendment, which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Greer.	Perkins.
Hudspeth.	Stokes.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mastererson.	Willacy.

Nays—8.

Brachfield.	Holsey.
Cofer.	Murray.
Harper.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hayter.	Ward.

Absent.

Bryan.	Senter.
Mayfield.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Veale.
Real.	Weinert.

Senator Alexander offered the following substitute for the resolution:

Resolved, by the Senate, That each member of this Senate and the Lieutenant Governor, be allowed to subscribe for five daily papers, to be paid for out of the contingent fund of this Senate at not to exceed 75 cents per month, to be promptly delivered.

ALEXANDER,
MASTERSON.

The substitute was adopted, and the resolution, as substituted, was then adopted.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Watson:

Be it resolved, by the First Called Special Session of the Thirty-first Senate of the State of Texas, That the salary of Clyde D. Smith, Secretary; Raymond Gilmore, Journal Clerk, and W. E. DeLamar, Calendar Clerk, be fixed at the sum of \$7.50 per day during the said Special Session.

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend by adding the name of "Frank Smith, Engrossing Clerk."

Senator Brachfield made the point of order on the resolution and amendment that it was in conflict with the Constitution.

The Chair sustained the point of order.

Senator Brachfield offered the follow-

ing substitute for the resolution and amendment:

All officers and employes shall be paid the sum of \$5.00 per day, except the porters and pages, who shall receive \$2.00 per day.

BRACHFIELD,
WILLACY,
HARPER,
COFER.

The substitute was read, and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Alexander.	Mayfield.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Greer.	Terrell of McLennan.
Harper.	Ward.
Holsey.	Willacy.

Nays—10.

Adams.	Mastererson.
Hayter.	Peeler.
Hudspeth.	Perkins.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Watson.

Absent.

Bryan.	Senter.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Veale.
Real.	Weinert.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED.

Here the Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) administered the constitutional oath of office to M. P. Kelly, Enrolling Clerk.

SENATE BILL NO. 1.

Senator Willacy called for Senate bill No. 1.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Hume.
Alexander.	Kellie.
Brachfield.	Meachum.
Cofer.	Murray.
Greer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Perkins.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.

Ward.
Watson.

Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.
Masterson.
Mayfield.
Paulus.
Real.

Senter.
Sturgeon.
Veale.
Weinert.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.
Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Greer.
Harper.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Hume.
Kellie.

Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.
Peeler.
Stokes.
Terrell of Bowie.
Terrell of McLennan.
Ward.
Watson.
Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.
Masterson.
Paulus.
Perkins.
Real.

Senter.
Sturgeon.
Veale.
Weinert.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 1, contingent expense (see committee report for caption of).

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.
Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Greer.
Harper.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Hume.
Kellie.

Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.
Peeler.
Stokes.
Terrell of Bowie.
Terrell of McLennan.
Ward.
Watson.
Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.
Masterson.
Paulus.
Perkins.
Real.

Senter.
Sturgeon.
Veale.
Weinert.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.
Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Greer.
Harper.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Hume.
Kellie.

Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.
Peeler.
Perkins.
Stokes.
Terrell of Bowie.
Terrell of McLennan.
Ward.
Watson.
Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.
Masterson.
Paulus.
Real.

Senter.
Sturgeon.
Veale.
Weinert.

Senator Willacy moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 3.

Senator Willacy called up Senate bill No. 3, and

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.
Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Greer.
Harper.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Hume.
Kellie.

Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.
Peeler.
Perkins.
Stokes.
Terrell of Bowie.
Terrell of McLennan.
Ward.
Watson.
Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.
Masterson.
Paulus.
Real.

Senter.
Sturgeon.
Veale.
Weinert.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Greer.	Perkins.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.	Senter.
Masterson.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Veale.
Real.	Weinert.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 3, per diem bill (see committee report for caption of).

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Greer.	Perkins.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of
Hudspeth.	McLennan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Veale.
Real.	Weinert.
Senter.	

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Greer.	Perkins.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of
Hudspeth.	McLennan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Veale.
Real.	Weinert.
Senter.	

Senator Willacy moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SIMPLE RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Terrell of Bowie:

Whereas, The Governor has by message submitted to this Called Session of the Legislature one subject for legislation as follows: To enact adequate laws simplifying the procedure in both civil and criminal courts of this State, and to enact laws amending and changing the existing laws governing court procedure, as will reduce the present unusual and unnecessary expense of litigation, and as will tend to the speedy administration of justice in civil and criminal cases; therefore be it

Resolved, That the President of the Senate appoint a special committee of five Senators to draw bills covering the subjects named and present them to the Senate at as early a date as possible, said committee to allow any Senator who may wish to appear before said committee and make suggestions.

Senator Watson made a point of order on the resolution that same was in conflict with the rules, but the Chair overruled the point of order.

The resolution was laid on the table, subject to call.

By Senator Perkins:

Resolved, That the nominating and seconding speeches Saturday for the President Pro Tem. of the Senate, and the acceptance speech of the President Pro Tem. be printed in the Journal.

The resolution was read and adopted.

By Senator Hayter:

Whereas, The Assistant Doorkeeper, E. L. Dreeben, has lost his stock of merchandise by fire, and it being necessary for him to return home to adjust the loss with the insurance company; therefore be it

Resolved, by the Senate, That he be excused from attendance upon the Senate Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

Brachfield, Hume, Cofer, Hayter, Holsey, Murray, Peeler, Greer, Harper, Masterson, Willacy, Meachum, Alexander, Watson, Hudspeth, Adams, Perkins, Kellie, Ward, Terrell of McLennan, Terrell of Bowie, Stokes.

The resolution was read, and adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Perkins, the Senate, at 4:25 o'clock p. m., adjourned until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 15, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 8, A bill to be entitled "An Act to abolish the Department of Public Health and Vital Statistics, and to establish instead a State Board of Health."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Hayter, Chairman; Willacy, Hudspeth, Murray, Hume, Kellie.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 15, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the First

Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Willacy, Chairman; Harper, Meachum, Murray, Holsey, Peeler, Terrell of Bowie, Brachfield.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 15, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to pay per diem pay of members and per diem of officers and employees of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Willacy, Chairman; Harper, Meachum, Murray, Holsey, Peeler, Terrell of Bowie, Brachfield.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Cofer:

To the Legislature of Texas:

The undersigned, citizens of Grayson county, respectfully represent that we are informed that our county auditor says that Grayson county has paid an average of \$19,000 a year for the last five years for jurors. We believe that three-fourths of the time of our courts devoted to civil business is taken up by railroad damage suits and that of this three-fourths, one-half is by suits that do not properly belong here, and in which our people have no interest—suits in which the plaintiffs do not live in Texas and do not receive their injuries in Texas—suits in which the plaintiffs live in Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri and received their injuries in those States and ought to bring their suits there. It is not right that our people should be burdened with taxes to pay these expenses.

The auditor's statement shows that of the \$20,000 paid by Grayson county in 1908 for jurors \$6,000 was paid in these

cases where the plaintiffs were not injured here and do not live here.

The courts should be open to every one who has a cause of action or thinks he has one, but let him go where he belongs.

We respectfully ask you to give us relief by passing a law depriving our courts of jurisdiction to try such cases.

Numerously signed.

THIRD DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Wednesday, March 17, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, President Pro Tem. Brachfield presiding.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Perkins.
Greer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Absent.	
Bryan.	Real.
Hume.	Sturgeon.
Masterson.	Veale.
Paulus.	Weinert.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Cofer, the same was dispensed with.

EXCUSED.

On account of important business:

Senator Sturgeon for last Saturday and all of this week, on motion of Senator Kellie.

Senator Paulus for last Saturday and all of this week, on motion of Senator Kellie.

Senator Senter for Monday of this week, on motion of Senator Hudspeth.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senators Ward and Bryan:

Senate bill No. 18, A bill to be entitled

"An Act making an appropriation for the recovery of lands belonging to or claimed for the public schools and other lands of the State of Texas, and for the enforcement of any and all laws of the State of Texas concerning public lands or lands belonging to the State of Texas, or to any of its special funds or institutions; providing the manner of expending such appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

ADJOURNMENT.

Senator Watson moved that the Senate do now adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, said adjournment being in honor of St. Patrick's day.

The motion was adopted.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to pay the per diem pay of members and per diem pay of officers and employes of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, convened March 13, 1909, by proclamation of the Governor, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

WARD, Chairman.